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MULTIPORT RJ CONNECTOR

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This is responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed November 5, 2004, indicating that the signature of one of the inventors "Nab Tat Yip is missing from the Declaration. The subject application is a continuation of Serial No. 09/921,056 in which application a Petition Under Rule 1.47(a) was granted to approve the filing of the application without the signature of Man Tat Yip. A copy of the decision is enclosed.

In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account #15-0700.

If this communication is filed after the time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on November 29, 2004

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Name of applicant, assignée or Registered Representative

Signature November 29, 2004

Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration: Man Tat Yip

Replies should be mailed to:

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A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of

John CHEN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/921,056

Group Art Unit:

Filed: September 30, 1998

Examiner: --

For: MULTIPORT RJ CONNECTOR

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a)

Sir:

I, Elsa Liu, DECLARE as follows:

- 1. I am Human Resources Officer of Bel Fuse Limited.
- 2. I had direct contact with Mr. James Man Tat Yip, regarding the above-identified application.
- 3. Mr. Yip is one of the joint inventors of the above-identified application. He resigned on June 20, 2001 and, according to his previous manager, is now working for one of our key competitors.
- 4. I firstly sent the Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment (formal papers), by Registered Post, to Mr. Yip on November 24, 2001 for his signature at the following address: Room 603, Block A, Galaxia, Diamond Hill, Kowloon, Hong Kong. A copy of the return receipt in Chinese is attached as Exhibit A. Mr. Yip refused to sign due to insufficient information.

- 5. Then, I sent the formal papers to him again with the relevant specification and drawings, by Registered Post, on January 14, 2002 at the same address as the formal papers were sent to him on November 24, 2001. A copy of the return receipt in Chinese is enclosed as Exhibit B.
- 6. Because I had not received any reply from Mr. Yip, I contacted him by phone on January 21, 2002 for the return of the signed formal papers. However, he refused to sign and claimed that he would not do any favour to Bel Fuse Limited as the Company refused to provide an employment reference letter to one of his ex-colleagues.
 - 7. The last known address of Mr. Yip is:

Room 603, Block A Galaxia Diamond Hill Kowloon Hong Kong

8. I further declare that all statements made herein are made of my own knowledge and are true except for those statements made on information and belief, which are believed to be true, and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this declaration of this application and any United States patent issuing therefrom.

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Attachments

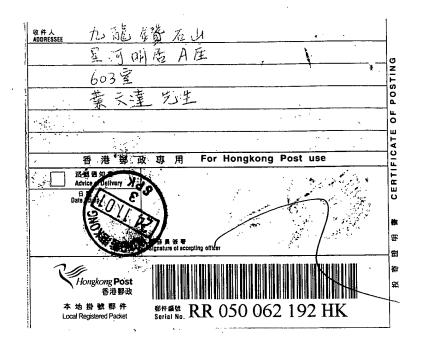


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In re Application of

Chen, et al.

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Application No. 09/921,056 Filed: August 2, 2001 Attorney Docket No. P/144-276 For: MULTIPORT RJ CONNECTOR

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DECISION GRANTING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed March 6, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner has shown that inventor James Man Tat Yip has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the declaration of Elsa Liu has established that the inventor received the application papers and thereafter verbally refused to execute the declaration.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

ía M. Brown Petitions Attorney Office of Petitions

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In re Application of Chen, et al.

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Application No. 09/921,056 Filed: August 2, 2001 Attorney Docket No. P/144-276 For: MULTIPORT RJ CONNECTOR

Dear Sir:

You are named as an inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

LETTER

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost as per 37 C.F.R. § 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0310. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area) Washington D.C. area).

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